

The Leopard's Tale

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Today, during the last two blocks of the day, our students have enjoyed participating in our annual Mid-Year Social. Students had the opportunity to attend a dance, play basketball, do arts and crafts, play computer games, or watch movies, among other activities. The Mid-Year Social is our way of celebrating our students and rewarding them for a "job well done" during the first half of the year!

A reminder that the second quarter/first semester ends next Friday, January 26, 2018. Students will begin their second semester classes on Monday, January 29, 2018.

Enjoy the winter warm-up this weekend!

IMPORTANT DATES:

January 23 - New 6th Grade and GT Parent Orientation 6:30-7:30pm (LKMS Cafeteria)

January 24 - 8th Grade Panoramic Photo

January 26 - End of 2nd Marking Period (3-hour Early Dismissal)

January 26 - LKMS Spelling Bee - 8:30am (LKMS Cafeteria)

February 16 - Professional Learning Day - no school for students

February 19 - President's Day - schools and offices closed

“LIME LIGHTERS” - STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:

Congratulations to the following students who demonstrated their ability to ‘ROAR’ this week by being responsible, respectful, and academically focused:

Anna Strub	Aislin Hall
Alex Thompson	Will McGee
Amelia Rose	Asher Albert
Isaac Tebben	Stephanie Mihalik
Makaila Carroll	
Lindsay Khalluf	

VERY IMPORTANT - PARENT DROP-OFF/PICKUP:

When dropping off or picking up your student, please remember to use the lower parking level of our school. **The upper level (both the main bus loop and the smaller loop) must remain clear for our school buses to enter.** Thank you for your help!

ATTENDANCE AREA ADJUSTMENT (“Redistricting”) NEWS:

As you are likely aware by now, HCPSS has realigned attendance areas for some elementary and middle schools. As a result, several LKMS students have been assigned to attend Clarksville Middle School beginning the 2018-19 school year. If you are not certain if you are affected by this change, you can use the “School and Bus Locator” feature on hcpss.org. In addition, HCPSS sent home a letter to all families affected on January 5, 2018.

Parents can request permission for their child to remain in their current school IF they meet one of the three conditions as outlined in the letter. The request is made by submitting the “Redistricting Request” form that is enclosed in the mailing. Or they can complete that same form electronically using this web address <http://hcpssne.ws/redistrictingrequest>. Requests should be submitted by January 19.

Please be assured that we are working closely with the administration and staff at CMS to ensure a smooth transition for all students. Stay tuned for detailed information about events for both students and families.

National History Day Judging - February 8, 2018 8:30am - 3:00pm

Calling all volunteers! If you are interested in helping our teachers judge the 8th Grade GT National History Day projects on February 8th, please contact Karen McVay, Karen_McVay@hcpss.org by January 19th. Judges are needed throughout the day, so please let us know what specific times you are available for judging so we can schedule you accordingly.

LKMS - MEMORY BOOKS FOR 2017/18:

LKMS Memory Books are now on sale. Prices start at \$25 and many upgrades are available. Orders are due by April 13, 2018. For ordering information and to download a sales flyer, please go to the LKMS website at lkms.hcpss.org.

PTA DRAMA PROGRAM - "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST":

Last Call to join the Lime Kiln Middle School production of Beauty and the Beast directed by Mr. Dustin Merrell of Drama Learning Center. Auditions begin January 22. To register, please go to <http://dramalearningcenter.com/after-school-class/Questions?> Please contact eileendensel@gmail.com.

"EVERY KID CAN COOK - 1 MILE BOOTCAMP IN THE MALL"

Every Kid Can Cook and Healthy Little Cooks will sponsor a 1-Mile Bootcamp in Columbia Mall on January 20. The purpose of the bootcamp is to support children and family wellness by combining healthy cooking with fitness and is designed for families to do together. For more information, please refer to the attached flyer or go to healthylittlecooks.com/bootcamp.

LOST AND FOUND:

Please have your student check the Lost and Found table located in our school cafeteria for any misplaced items. Several coats, gym uniforms, lunch boxes, etc. have been recovered during the past few weeks.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 8th GRADE STUDENTS:

Private School Applications

Students applying to private schools who will need teacher recommendations and/or transcripts sent to the private school should submit this request to the Student Services office. We will collect all information and mail as one packet to the school. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Mongello in Student Services.

PARKING:

When picking up your student or coming in to the school for other reasons, please do not park in any of the three reserved spaces in the upper circle. These spaces are reserved for staff use only. Thank you.

HCLS/HCPSS A+ STUDENT CARD:

Howard County Library System and Howard County Public School System are

launching a new fully functioning A+ STUDENT CARD. It allows easy access to HCLS eContent (including research databases) in the classroom, at home, or anywhere students need to do homework or research through hcpss.me. The A+ Student Card uses the student's active directory login. This A+ virtual student card gives the student all the same borrowing privileges as the physical card. Here is **a link to more information: [A+ Student Card](#)**.

HC DRUGFREE IS LOOKING FOR PARENT/ADULT VOLUNTEERS:

Whether you have an hour a month or 10 hours a week to volunteer, please email <mailto:Admin@hcdrugfree.org> to let us know your availability. Be sure to say if you can type, are willing to drive to pharmacies or liquor stores, and if you have any special skills or interests.
